

# EXHIBIT A



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The Honorable Michael A. Ponsor  
United States District Court  
For the District of Massachusetts  
1550 Main Street  
Springfield, Massachusetts 01103

**Re: Michael Bergdoll: Docket Number: 04-30046**

Dear Judge Ponsor:

Mr. Bergdoll's family has retained Federal Prison Consultants to advocate on his behalf concerning designation and FBOP's programs. We have just become involved in his case and are aware that he has a self-surrender date of 2/28/07. Due to the limited time for his self-surrender we humbly request a 30 day extension which will give us the necessary time needed to work with the FBOP on designation and program related issues.

We thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,  
**Shakeerah Marhefka**  
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Assistant Director